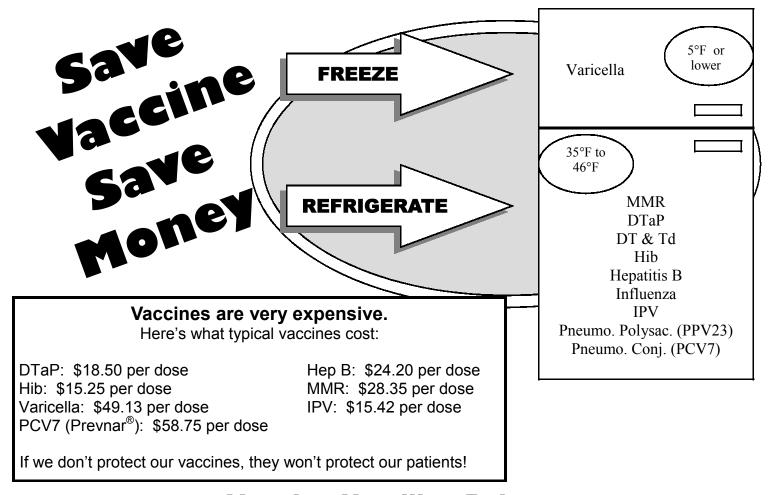
Handle With Care



Vaccine Handling Rules

Refrigerate vaccine immediately when it is received.* Store varicella vaccine in the freezer. Do not store vaccine in the door of the refrigerator.

Protect MMR from light at all times and keep it cold. Don't get the vial from the refrigerator until it is time to reconstitute and administer. Diluent does not need refrigeration if MMR is administered right after diluent is added.

Rotate vaccine stock to avoid outdating. Note the expiration dates on vials or cartons and use short-dated vaccines first. Keep vials in their cartons. Do not use outdated vaccine. Don't over-order.

Safeguard the refrigerator. Make sure it stays plugged

in. It should have a safety-lock type plug.

Post a warning sign so electricians or janitors don't accidentally unplug the refrigerator or turn off the circuit or electricity.

Maintain proper temperatures in the refrigerator (2°C to 8°C or 35°F to 46°F) and in the freezer (-15°C or 5°F or lower). If necessary, to help keep temperatures stable place big plastic containers of water in the refrigerator and cold packs (blue ice) in the freezer.

Check and record refrigerator and freezer temperatures at least once daily. Keep a temperature log to document that your vaccines are being stored under the proper conditions.

^{*}Refer to package insert for specific instructions on each vaccine. If you have questions about the condition of the vaccines at the time of delivery, first store them properly, then notify the supplier and get instructions.